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PENALTY URGED FOR "FLOATING" OYSTERS

Washington, Dec. 29.—Prosecution of oyster dealers found guilty of the practice of adding fresh water to shucked oysters so as to greatly increase their size in violation of the food and drug act, will be recommended by the department of agriculture.

This was announced today by the department which said that considerable evidence is being collected by its inspectors regarding the traffic in water-soaked oysters.

LOS ANGELES TIMES MURDER CASES ENDED

Los Angeles, Dec. 29.—The case of Matthew A. Schmidt, charged with the murder of Charles A. Hargerty, killed in the explosion of the Los Angeles Times building five years ago, probably will be in the hands of the jury by tonight. Unless some unforeseen incident occurs the attorneys will have finished their arguments by 5 o'clock this afternoon.

GERMAN "PEACE TERMS" ARE ONLY PRIVATE VIEWS

Berlin, Dec. 29.—In an editorial discussing the article recently printed by the Neue Zürcher Zeitung, of Zurich, purporting to give the terms upon which Germany is ready to consider peace, the Norddeutsche Allgemeine Zeitung, says: "In the foreign press there is an unusual inclination to use the article of the Neue Zürcher Zeitung, printed Tuesday as the ground for speculations over peace and war aims. In order to prevent in advance any misleading public opinion we again point out that the article contains solely private reflections and therefore cannot serve as a starting point for an earnest discussion of the views of leading circles."

MINNEAPOLIS GETS CONVENTION

Chicago, Dec. 29.—The Prohibition National convention will be held in Minneapolis.

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GERMANS BUILD GOOD ROADS IN CAPTURED POLAND

More Than \$1,500,000 Has Already Been Expended Around Warsaw.

Warsaw, Dec. 29.—Something over a million and a half dollars have been expended by the Germans since their occupancy of Poland in reconstructing the unspeakably bad roads that crisscross the kingdom at more or less rare intervals, and which have been all but destroyed by artillery fire and by the transportation of big guns, ammunition and food supplies.

For those in charge of the "Reconstruction of Connections between the Armies and Home" the task has grown with each kilometer that the Germans have won from the Russians. Prior to the fall of Warsaw there were approximately 1045 kilometers (655 miles) of roads to be repaired, but when the Russians retreated to Brest Litovsk, and then abandoned that fortress, the mileage increased to 5440 kilometers (3400 miles) and the difficulties involved grew greater with each additional mile.

The Germans found, on their arrival, a few so-called "imperial roads" which were, for the most part, strips of sand. From the inhabitants—or such of them as remained—they learned that taxes for the upkeep of the thoroughfares had been collected over and over—and never spent for the purpose intended. A second class of roads, the so-called government streets, were all but impassable, and the third variety consisted of roads that not only were impassable but impossible. All three sorts were torn by shells, cut by trenches, and ratted by both Russian and German wagons bound for the front.

The Germans in charge of road rebuilding claim that they never have had any word as to the ultimate intention of their government with respect to Poland—that their work has some irrespective of any intention to annex the ancient kingdom, that the work has been done purely as a sort of philanthropic measure and that it will stand as a heritage for those who may in the future govern Poland.

That it has been thoroughly done, however, is attested to by the fact that between 30,000 and 35,000 laborers have been employed in the various sections of Poland. Most of them are Poles, thrown out of their ordinary occupations by a shortage of raw materials.

Throughout the length and breadth of Poland the sand stretches are being bolstered up with wood and stone—and 710,000 cubic meters approximately have been used thus far in making passable roads, even in districts where no military need, for them exists.

For instance, a road 75 kilometers in length has been built to the south of Lodz, where there have been no armies for months, and where there is no immediate prospect of a need for good roads from a military standpoint. The work continues, and a contrast between the old and new order of things—easily obtainable in the course of a ride outside Lodz—gives a glimpse of the constructive efforts of the Germans.

The Polish population in general has proven thankful for what has been accomplished—additionally so women have received employment in the reconstruction of the Polish roads, and have in this way been saved from the starvation that otherwise stared them in the face.

It is peculiar that the women, rather than the men, have done the most toward rebuilding their own country. The women, and grown children, have proved themselves industrious workers for the reconstruction of Poland, while the men with few exceptions have had to be driven, and have never overcome their suspicion of the Germans. This suspicion, it is assumed, is founded on generations of experience of Russian domination. The men, rather than work, offer tribute to the Germans, as they used to offer them to the Russians, and then appear utterly dumfounded when the bribes are not accepted and they are confronted with the alternative of working or starving.

Eastern Oregon has had plenty of rain, and the outlook for the large winter wheat crop is promising.

A report from Copenhagen states that 100 ships, chiefly British, American and French, have been caught in the ice in the White Sea and will have to spend the winter there.

A statement issued by the Post Office Department declares that the record-breaking Christmas mail was handled with scarcely a hitch.

The Turkish government has asked Parliament to authorize a loan of \$57,000,000 from Germany.

The State Department is preparing a protest against the British interference with American mail to and from Holland.

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The first big gun in the Clearance Sale Season is fired! It's the famous Year End Sale of the Caesar Misch Stores and it offers more big opportunities to save than any sale at this time in Bridgeport. All prices have been mercilessly cut but the privilege of "Cheerful Credit" is yours regardless of the amazing price slashing.

**\$1.00
A
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Great Dress Opportunity!

Beautiful Sample Dresses for all occasions in the Year End Sale at amazing reductions. Values up to \$7.95 to \$26.95

Year End Suit Values

Women's & Misses' Suits A Sale of 416 Fur Trimmed Suits that is astonishing \$8.95

\$25 and \$27.50 Suits including all the newest materials at almost half price \$16.95

Big Bargains in Snappiest Coats.

\$16.75 Corduroy Coats 3-4 models, full flare, in brown, navy and green \$9.95

\$15 Astrakhan Coats full length/models in navy only \$9.95

Beautiful Furs Much Underpriced.

\$55 Russian Pony Skin Coats, New box models, Skinner, satin lined, chin chain collars \$24.95
\$80 Near Seal Coats full flare models, chin chain collars \$59.50
Hudson Seal Coats \$22.50
Leopard Skin Coats \$22.50
Caracul Coats \$22.50
Marmot Coats \$22.50
Specially priced \$25
\$15 Selected Coney Suits, New snake scarf and barrel muff \$9.95
Red Fox Suits, New scarf, barrel, muff with heads and tails \$16.95
Cross Fisher Suits, small throw \$16.95
Solid Gold Children's Rings \$16.95



Extraordinary Values in Men's Suits and Overcoats

\$8.50 for \$14.00 Suits and Overcoats, \$13.50 for \$20.00 Suits and Overcoats

\$10.50 for \$18.75 Suits and Overcoats, \$16.50 for \$22.50 Suits and Overcoats

\$19.50 for \$25.00 Suits and Overcoats

Men's Furnishings at Year End Price.

Shirts New negligee models, soft, and stiff cuffs, new madras, silk and linen and pure silk \$1.50 values 95c
26 values 19c
50c values 29c
75c values 49c
\$1 values 65c
\$1.50 values 95c
75c Pure Silk Hosiery, Onyx, new colors \$4.00
\$3.50 Silk Taffeta Petticoats Full flare models, all new colors \$1.98
Initial Handkerchiefs box of 6 75c
Monarch Belts and Suspenders boxed 47c
Men's \$4 Bathrobes New Designs \$2.49
\$1.50 Angora Scarfs and Silk Scarfs. New colorings \$98c

WAISTS

\$3.50 Crepe de Chine Waists

New colors, also new striped tub silks \$1.98

\$1.50 White Voile Waists

Embroidery and Lace 98c

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Cheerful Credit Extended To All Jewelry Purchasers.

Diamond Rings—In plain and fancy settings for men and women \$5 to \$150
Women's Convertible Wrist Watchbands and Swiss Watch Bracelets, 14k solid gold and 20-year cases \$10 to \$50
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Solid Gold and Gold Filled Bracelets \$1.50 to \$14.50
New Sterling Silver Flexible Bracelets, set with rhinestones and various colored stones, also plain gold filled, with or without stones \$4.50 to \$4.50
Solid Gold Children's Rings Signet top for engraving, others with assorted stones from 75c up \$1.50 to \$12

Genuine Coral Cameo Lavallieres mounted in sea pearls solid gold mounting \$10.00
Shell Cameo Lavallieres \$8 to \$12
Gold Filled Cuff Buttons and Cuff Button Sets 75c to \$3
Solid Gold Cuff Buttons some set with genuine full cut diamonds \$3 to \$12

Petticoats \$3.50 Silk Taffeta Petticoats Full flare models, all new colors \$1.98

Hosiery Pure Silk Onyx Hosiery All new colors, including plaids 49c to 98c

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Turkeys 25c to 30c lb

Choice Fowls 18c to 20c per lb.
Stewing Fowls 16c per lb.
Fancy Roasting Chickens 23c to 25c per lb.
Fresh Killed Ducks 25c per lb.
Geese 24c per lb.

Legs of Genuine Spring Lamb 18c per lb.
Legs of Yearling Lamb 16c per lb.
Choice Young Mutton Legs 15c per lb.
Small Lean Fresh Pork Roasts 14c per lb.
Small Lean Fresh Shoulders 13c per lb.
Native Fresh Hams 17c per lb.

All the Fresh Pork Cuts:—Pork Tenderloins, Hocks, Heads, Feet, Tails, Bones, Ribs, and Leaf Lard. Home Made Sausage Meat. All kinds of Link Sausage in Packages.

Good Chuck Rib Roasts of Beef 12c per lb.
Good Pot Roasts of Beef 10c and 12c per lb.

SMOKED AND SALT MEATS.

Sugar Cured Bacon 17c per lb.
Bean Salt Pork 10c per lb.
Sugar Cured Hams 18c per lb.
Boneless Hams 18c per lb.
Swift's and North Star Bacon, Virginia Hams.

FRESH VEGETABLES

Fancy Boston Head Lettuce, Green and Wax Beans, Celery, Chickory and Roman, Cape Cod Cranberries, Celery Hearts, Cauliflowers, Sweet Potatoes Hubbard and Marrow Squash, Fancy Eating and Cooking Apples.

GROCERY BULLETIN.

Choice Mixed Nuts 15c per lb.
Fancy 18c per lb.
Walnut Meat Halves 45c lb.
Plum Puddings in Tins. 10, 20, 40, 45 and 50c
Table Raisins 18 and 28c pkg
Lemon and Orange Peel 15c per lb.
Dried Citron 20c per lb.
Seedless Raisins 13c pkg., 2 for 25c
Heinz Mince Meat in Glass 25, 50 and 75c
Atmore's Mince Meat in Glass 65c
Washed Brazils 20c per lb.
Paper Shell Almonds 22 and 25c lb.
Salted Peanuts 35c per lb.
Boiled Cider 25c Bottle
English Walnuts 18c per lb.
New York State Soft Shell Walnuts 22c Package
California Soft Shell Walnuts 22c Package
Bulk Mince Meat 14c lb.
Atmore's and Nene Such Mince Meat 3 pkg. for 25c

A full line of Jellies, Jams, Marmalades, Pickles, Cherries in glass, Stuffed and Queen Olives.

BAKERY.

Parker House, Stratfield, Vienna, Water and Finger Rolls, Twisted Crullers, Doughnuts, Coffee Cakes, Lady Fingers, Kisses and Macaroons. All kinds of Bread and Pound Cakes, Fancy Pastry.

BUTTER.

Extra Creamery Tub Butter 31c per lb., Peanut Butter 13c lb., 2 for 25c, Pure Lard 12 1/2c per lb., Whole Cream Cheese 20c lb.

A full line of Imported and Domestic Cheese, Clover Cliff Butter in 1 and 5 lb pkg., all grades of eggs.

FRUIT.

Florida Oranges 20 for 25c, Navel Oranges 25, 30 and 35c doz., Large Florida Oranges 25, 30 and 35c doz., Tangerines 25c doz., Imported Figs in pkg. 15c, Grape Fruit 6 for 25c, Medium 4 for 25c, Large 3 for 25c, Malaga Grapes 25c lb., 3 lb. for 60c. Table Apples, Pears, Pineapples, Bananas, Fresh Cocoanuts, California Figs.

FISH.

Steak Cod 15c lb., Shore Haddock 8c lb., Market Cod 8c lb., Frost Fish 4 lbs. for 25c, Pollock whole Fish 7c lb., Steaks 10c lb., Tile Fish 16c per lb., Fresh Salmon Steaks 20c lb., Opened Long Clams 25c per qt., White Sliced Halibut 18c lb., Native Flat Fish 8c lb., Harbor Blues 10c lb., Medium Smelts 12c lb., Large 18c lb., Shad 15 and 25c each, Medium scallops 55c qt., Opened Oysters 35c qt., Steamers, Round Clams, Smoked Shrimp.

OLDEST ALUMNUS OF UNION COLLEGE DEAD

Hartford, Dec. 30.—Isaac W. Dunham, graduate of Union College, Schenectady, N. Y., and believed to be the oldest living alumnus, died at a hospital here today from the effects of a fall sustained last September. He had lived in Hartford 10 years making his home with a daughter. Mr. Dunham was born in Schenectady, Jan. 15, 1827. At various times he had been principal and superintendent of schools in various cities in the east. Mr. Dunham's first vote was cast for General Zachariah Taylor for President in 1848. He leaves five children of 30 born to him and eight grandchildren.

Germany is reported to have discovered a successful substitute for cotton in the manufacture of gunpowder.